

REMARKS

Claims 57-68 have canceled. Claim 69 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 57 as suggested by the Examiner.

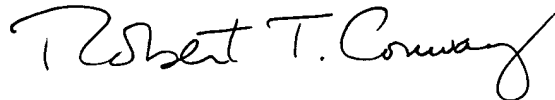
Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated September 15, 2003, the claims of Group I (Claims 36-56 and 69-74), drawn to an induction heating method and device for controlling the temperature of a biological specimen, are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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